Recreational Opportunities

Archery Range – Fishing - Hiking - Hunting - Wildlife Viewing

Conservation areas are closed from 10 p.m. to 4 a.m. except for authorized camping, fishing and hunting activities.

- No littering, No fireworks, No open fires, except in designated areas.
- No free-running pets. Dogs must be leashed or confined when not being trained or used for hunting.
- Destroying, cutting or removing vegetation is prohibited. Nuts, berries, fruits, mushrooms and wild greens may be taken for personal consumption only.
- Motor vehicles are restricted to graveled roadways and parking areas.
- Primitive camping is permitted only in designated areas and is limited to 14 consecutive days in a 30-day period. 30 day maximum stay per year. Groups of 10 campers or more must obtain a special use permit.
- Bicycles, horses and horseback riding are permitted only on roads open to vehicles.
- Firearms target shooting prohibited. Archery target shooting on designated shooting range only.
- Swimming, scuba diving, water skiing, sailboarding, skateboarding, caving and rappelling are not allowed.

Fishing and Boating

Fishing is permitted under statewide regulations. The following special regulations also apply.

- Fish may be taken only by pole and line and no more than three poles and lines may be used by any one person.
- Daily limits are six black bass and four catfish in the aggregate (channel, blue and flathead catfish), and 30 crappie. All other fish, statewide limits, but the total number taken may not exceed 20.
- All black bass between 12 and 15 inches in total length must be released immediately after being caught.
- Fishing is permitted in area streams under statewide regulations.
- Bullfrogs and green frogs may be taken during the statewide season only by hand, handnet, atlatl, gig, bow, snagging, snaring, grabbing, or pole and line, a twenty-two (.22) caliber or smaller rimfire rifle or pistol, pellet gun, or crossbow, only on waters and within dates and hours those waters are open to fishing or hunting.
- Seining or trapping live bait, including tadpoles, is prohibited on all lakes and ponds.
- Boats may be used for fishing and wildlife-related activities only and may not be stored or left unattended overnight.
- Electric motors only are allowed.

Hunting and Trapping

Area is open to hunting under statewide regulations. The following special regulations also apply.

- Quail may be taken only by holders of a prescribed hunting permit and a valid area daily hunting tag, and hunters must check out immediately after the close of their hunting trip.
- Trail and game cameras are prohibited.
- Only portable tree stands are allowed and only from Sept. 1 through Jan. 31. Unattended stands must be plainly labeled with the full name and address, or Conservation Number, of the user and be removed from the area before Feb. 1. Use of nails, screw-in steps, and any material or method that would damage the tree is prohibited.
- Deer hunting is permitted under statewide seasons and limits except: only archery and muzzleloading methods may be used and no antlerless permits may be used.
- Decoys and portable blinds are permitted but must be removed from the area daily. Blinds may be constructed on-site, but only from willows and non-woody vegetation.
- Trapping of furbearers is permitted only with a special use permit.

For local information, contact:

Missouri Department of Conservation Albany Office 508 E Hwy 136 Albany, MO 64402 (660) 726-3746

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Northwest Regional Office 701 James McCarthy Drive St. Joseph, MO 64507 (816) 271-3100

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Regulations are from the Wildlife Code of Missouri and selected statutes of the State of Missouri. Special area regulations are in Chapter 11 of the Wildlife Code. A free printed copy of the Wildlife Code. With lists most area regulations, is available from the Conservation Department. Chapter 11 in its entirety is available at www.sos.mo.gov/adrules/csr/current/3csr/3csr.asp.) Equal opportunity to participate in and benefit from programs of the Missouri Department of Conservation is available to all individuals without regard to their race, color, national origin, sex. age or disability. Questions should be directed to the Department of Conservation, P.O. Box 180, Jefferson City, MO 65102, (573) 751-4115 (wice) or 800-735-2966 (TTY), or to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Division of Federal Assistance, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Mail Story (MSSP 4020, Affington, W. 22203.

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